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PROPOSALS

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EXPOSITION

On the whole Book of

CANTICLES,

BY THE

Late Reverend and Learned Divine JOHN DAVENPORT of *New-England*: Recommended by the Persons under-nam'd, and a Specimen of the said Book annex'd.

BY what we have read of the Reverend and Learned Mr. Davenport, *his Practical Commentary on the Book of* Canticles (*having not time to read it thorow*) *we see just cause to Recommend it; for what explains these ordinary* [yet sublime] *Metaphors, cannot but be acceptable to the most Spiritual Christians; and this with the Blessing of God* (*which we implore*) *will enlighten their Understandings, and warm their Affections towards their beloved* Jesus.

We easily grant, that you may find in it some Sentiments different from ours; but we are as willing to hope, that all Serious Christians have (*ere this at least*) *effectually learnt heartily to agree in the great Truths here explained, tho they differ in some lesser things; our differences shew our imperfect State; but to improve the Scope of this Treatise, will singularly contribute to the raising of us up towards that Perfection which is peculiar to the other World.*

In short, the Author was a Master-Builder in the Church of Christ, whose Name is Precious both in Europe *and* America; *and that alone without any Recommendation, may be sufficient to invite all Serious Christians that have ever heard of him, to promote this Work: As for those that are Strangers to him, we heartily recommend it to them, and doubt not but they will find that in it, which will more than Recompence whatever Encouragement they give it. That it may be greatly beneficial to the Church of Christ, is the hearty desire of*

Your Servants for Christ's sake,

S. ANNESLEY,

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